

## **Outcomes from Senate Subcommittee No. 3: Thursday, March 25th**

- Senator Ashburn absent the entire Subcommittee hearing.

### **A. Department of Health Care Services**

#### **Vote Only: (Pages 4 and 5)**

- **Motion.** Approved these two items.
- **Vote.** 2-0

### **C. ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION (Page 6)**

#### **1. Governor's Federal Fund Assumptions for Medi-Cal: Several Components**

- **Action.** None needed at this time but directed the DHCS to **(1)** continue to work with the Public Hospitals regarding the "CPE" issues; **(2)** continue to work with County Mental Health Plans and others with issues related to the Mental Health Services Act Fund; and **(3)** keep Legislative staff apprised of your efforts; and **(4)** report back to this Subcommittee in a *written format* at the May Revision in more detail.

#### **2. Governor's Proposed Trigger Mechanism (Page 12)**

- **Motion.** Reject the Governor's proposed "trigger".
- **Vote.** 2-0

#### **3. Governor's Proposal to Establish Limits on Benefits, Expand Cost Sharing & Other Medi-Cal Program Changes (Page 15)**

- **Action.** Kept "Open" until the May Revision.

#### **4. Implementation of AB 1383—Hospital Quality Assurance Fee (QAF) (Page 17)**

- **Motion.** Approved the DHCS staff and kept "Open" the rest of the issue to receive an update at the May Revision.
- **Vote.** 2-0

**5. Proposed 10 Percent Reduction to Public Hospitals for 2010-11 (Page 21)**

- **Action.** Kept “Open” pending receipt of May Revision.

**6. Proposed 10 Percent Reduction to Private Hospitals for 2010-11 (Page 24)**

- **Action.** Kept “Open” pending receipt of May Revision.

**7. Implementation of Medi-Cal Managed Care Tax (AB 1422) (Page 25)**

- **Motion.** Adopted “placeholder” language to continue the gross premium tax, and kept “Open” the issue of the rates until the receipt of the May Revision for the DHCS to provide more clarity as to how the rates are developed.
- **Vote. 2-0**

**8. Newly Qualified Legal Immigrant Adults (Page 27)**

- **Action.** Express concerns with the proposal but kept “Open” pending May Revision.

**9. Governor’s Proposal: Persons Permanently Residing Under Color of Law (PRUCOL) (Page 28)**

- **Action.** Express concerns with the proposal but kept “Open” pending May Revision.

**10. DHCS Proposal to Implement Mid-Year Status Reporting (Page 29)**

- **Motion. (1)** Rejected the Governor’s proposal to reinstitute the mid-year status reports and **(2)** adopted trailer bill language to continue “annual” eligibility as required to maintain “maintenance-of-effort” provisions in federal Health Care Reform Law.
- **Vote. 2-0**

**11. Proposed Changes to Special Needs Trust Recovery (Page 30)**

- **Motion.** Rejected the Governor’s proposal. (This is a policy bill issue.)
- **Vote. 2-0**

## **B. Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board (MRMIB)**

### **1. Governor's Proposal to Reduce Eligibility in HFP (Page 32)**

- **Motion.** Rejected both the Governor's proposal to reduce Healthy Families eligibility, *and* his Trigger proposal to eliminate it..
- **Vote.** 2-0

### **2. Eliminate Vision Benefit & Increase Premiums Paid by Families (Page 35)**

- **Action.** Expressed grave concerns with this proposal but we will keep it Open pending receipt of the May Revision